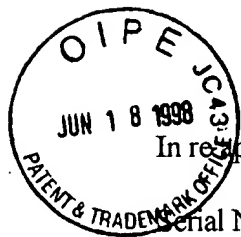


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In re: Application of: Skeem, et al

Serial Number: 08/892,836

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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR SECTION 1.111

This amendment is in response to an Office Action, mailed on March 20, 1998, in the above-captioned patent application. Claims 1 -34 are pending in the application and Claims 2 and 27 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected species. Claims 1, 3-26 and 28-34 are rejected under 35 USC Section 103(a) over US Pat No. 5,492,771 to Lowder, et al, ("Lowder"), in view of US Pat. No 5,215,072 to Scott ("Scott").

Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections. Applicants note, with appreciation, the withdrawal of the designation of the first office action herein as a final office action.

REMARKS

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